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LAURENCE J. ODELL

A/C

Your ref: EPN/atb

61-62, Gracechurch Street.
London, E.C.3.

TELEPHONES: MANSION HOUSE 6341-2.
TELEGRAMS: KRATOS, BILGATE, LONDON.

12th March, 1953.

Dear Sir,

re: L. S. Forrer Ltd., and
L. S. Forrer, Esq.

We acknowledge receipt with thanks of your letter of the 2nd instant, and we have perused the file of this case.

Following your report as to the business having gone into the hands of a receiver, we have searched at the Companies' Registry the file of L. S. Forrer Ltd., but there is no record of any receiver or liquidator having been appointed. Under the law in this country, it is obligatory for a copy of the resolution for winding-up, or appointing a receiver or liquidator to be filed at the Registry within 14 days, and the Directors are liable to penalties in default.

We are having further searches made and are also enquiring direct of Mr. L. S. Forrer, and will report to you further as soon as possible.

While we find considerable information as to the course of this case in our files, we do not appear to have any detailed account of what took place at the meeting in Mr. Strong's office at which you were present, and we are not clear, therefore, as to how this matter was eventually settled, save that we understand that the undisposed of coins were taken over by yourself. If, therefore, you wish us to take any further action, we should be grateful if you would give us some account of what transpired and of the decisions taken at that meeting.

Yours truly,

Strong & Co.

Eric P. Newman, Esq.,
Attorney-at-law,
315, Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2,
MISSOURI,
U.S.A.

March 16, 1953

Strong & Co.
61-62 Gracechurch Street
London, E. C. 3, England

Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 12.

Pursuant to the conversations last year in England between Mr.Strong, Mr. Forrer and myself, certain arrangements for payments on the accounts in question were made. Credits against the accounts were forthcoming to some small extent but the major part is still due. I, therefore, would call Mr. Forrer, if you have not already done so, and ask him to give you a report of his financial situation and ask him, also, whether he is willing to turn over any other coins to you at this time. The basis for the credit for these other coins can readily be worked out if he is willing to deliver them.

Mr. Forrer has recently sent out a list of various coins he has for sale and it would be important to ask him whether they are from his own inventory or whether they are on consignment from someone else. You might also ask for a copy of the accountant's statement for his last fiscal year. We are entitled to this statement as stockholders in any event.

Mr. Forrer is a very vague talker and you may have no hesitancy in pressing him for specific details. If he does not cooperate with you we will have to take stronger measures, as we were ready to do previously.

Sincerely yours,

Eric P. Newman
315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri
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A/C 2784/53

Your ref: EPN/atb

61-62, Gracechurch Street,
London, E.C.3.

17th March, 1953.

Dear Sir,

re: L. S. Forrer Ltd., and
L. S. Forrer, Esq.

Further to our letter of the 12th instant, we have now made further searches and enquiries, including a search in the London Gazette, but have been unable to trace any indication of the appointment of a receiver or liquidator in connection with the affairs of L. S. Forrer Ltd.

You may be aware that notice of such appointments has to be advertised in the London Gazette.

We have also received a reply from Mr. L. S. Forrer himself in which he gives his assurance that the Company has not gone into receivership, nor is it in liquidation. He adds that it would appear that rumours have been set about, but without foundation.

We shall be pleased to hear whether we can be of any further assistance to you in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

STRONG & CO.

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A/C 2784/53

Your ref: EPN/atb

61-62, Gracechurch Street,
London, E.C. 3.

23rd March, 1953.

Dear Sir,

re: L. S. Forrer Ltd., and
L. S. Forrer, Esq.

We have received your further letter of the 16th instant, for which we thank you.

In accordance with your instructions we have called upon Mr. Forrer for the information and accounts for which you ask, and we will let you hear as to his reply in due course.

Yours truly,

Strong & Co

Eric P. Newman, Esq.,
315 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2,
Missouri,
U.S.A.

March 25, 1953

Strong & Co.
61-62 Gracechurch Street
London, E. C. 3. England

Re: L. S. Forrer Ltd. and
L. S. Forrer, Esq.

Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 17, 1953 indicating that either Forrer, as an individual, or his company are in receivership. However, as I indicated in my previous letter, I want you to demand from him that he turn over to you a substantial quantity of coins of any type he wishes. There will be no difficulty in determining a fair value for these coins as he has, no doubt, advertised his entire inventory for sale in his lists and a fair discount can be arrived at. Will you, therefore, make such a demand and I believe he will comply.

Please send me any list of the coins which he may give you. If he fails to comply with this request I will follow your recommendations as to taking legal action.

I previously wrote you to obtain his balance sheet and look forward to receiving that item.

Very truly yours,

Eric P. Newman
315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri
U.S.A.

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St. Louis, 2.
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Mr. Eric P. Newman,
315 Washington Avenue,
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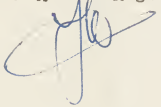
Dear Sir,

Thank you for your order for the miniature book-case which has now been carefully packed and is on its way to you. We trust that it will arrive safely. We also thank you for the remittance of £1.76 dollars which we have applied to your credit, leaving a small balance in our favour as shown in the attached statement.

With compliments,
Yours faithfully,
for Arthur Rogers



July 1, 1953

Mr. Leonard Forrer
175 Piccadilly
London, England

Dear Leonard:

I received a check from New Netherlands and am glad progress is being made along these lines.

It is important that I have about ten sets of your new Coronation coins and would appreciate it if you would forward them to me promptly. I have promised them to a number of individuals and previously wrote you to that effect. Please let me have them by return mail.

I certainly hope things are going better for you and feel sure that a little more success will enable you to have a much improved attitude toward your problems.

Would you be kind enough to pay Arthur Rogers 4, Eldon Place, Newcastle-on-Tyne, 1, the sum of 8 shillings 6 pence and would you also be kind enough to pay to Export Book Co. 63 Havelock Terrace, Garstang Road, Preston, Lancashire, the sum of 5 pounds 13 shillings 9 pence.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN
315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

EPN/atb

July 10, 1953

Mr. George Gessler
Landreth Building
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear George:

Wonders will never cease. Here is another check to deposit. This arises out of Leonard's activities and, apparently, he is not bankrupt.

My thoughts are with you in your troubles.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

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## NEW ELIZABETHAN COINAGE:

Order No.

Specimen Sets:

Crowns:

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Sets in Plastic Cases:

Postage:

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10th July, 1953.

Mr. Eric P. Newman.
315 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2,
MISSOURI.

Dear Eric,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of July 1st.

As desired I am sending you today ten Sets of the new Coronation Coins by Insured Parcel Post, and I think you will receive them in good order especially as the Plastic Cases, being fragile, have been packed in a biscuit tin.

I have also paid Arthur Rogers the sum of 8/6d., and the Export Book Company £5.13.9d. on your behalf as requested.

I am happy to say that although it has been exceedingly hard work, the new coinage has brought us an appreciable amount of business, and I can see much more daylight ahead than in the past years. You can be certain that as soon as I can straighten things out, it shall be my first endeavour.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Forrer

(L.S. FORRER).
Director.

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Your Ref: EPN/atb.

29th September, 1953.

Mr. Eric P. Newman.
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
315 Washington Ave.
ST. LOUIS, MO. U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

Thank you very much indeed for your kind letter of August 21st., which seems to have taken a tremendous time to reach me.

I am glad to say that business has certainly improved quite a lot, and some of the dark clouds have lifted. The idea at the back of my mind in asking them to allow me to open a Dollar Account was certainly with you in mind, but at the moment this account is being supervised very strictly, and I must watch my step before being able to do anything funny with it! I am hoping that when it is a little older that it will be possible from time to time to utilize it in your direction.

As desired, I have sent a cheque for £17.7.6d. to the Export Book Company in Preston, and will forward their receipt as and when it reaches me.

I am also despatching to you a Maundy Set of GEORGE VI, 1947, and debiting the account with £1.15.0d. in accordance with the enclosed Invoice.

With very kind regards and grateful thanks,

Yours sincerely,

(L.S. FORRER).
Director.

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ST. LOUIS. MO. U.S.A.

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CABLES - - MEDALLION, LONDON

1st October, 1953.

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
315 Washington Ave.,
St. Louis, MO.
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Newman,

Further to my letter of September 29th., The Export Book Company have returned my cheque stating that they were under the impression that you were returning the items in question, since in your letter to them of September 14th you expressed that you were dissatisfied, and in their letter of September 17th they asked you to return whatever items were not satisfactory.

I am therefore holding up the cheque at the request of the Export Book Company, which in any case I shall have to get my Bank to certify as from American funds. This small formality I shall manage to get over without too much trouble.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(L.S. FORRER).

Director.

October 5, 1953

Mr. Leonard Forrer
L.S.Forrer Ltd
175 Piccadilly
London, W.1, England

Dear Leonard:

I am sorry to cause you trouble with the Export Book Company. We ordered some books from them which were supposed to be first editions and when they arrived they were not. They have been returned. I have no objection, however, to your leaving the credit with the Export Book Company if it is inconvenient for you to work it back to yourself. Thank you for taking care of it.

Evelyn and I are taking our summer vacation and are flying to Lisbon where we will rent a car (which is quite expensive) and drive through southern Spain and down through French Morocco as far as Marrakech. We will then drive back to Lisbon and, if time permits, go over to the Madeira Islands. We will pass through Seville, Casablanca, Granada, etc. Do you have somebody in Lisbon who is a friend of yours who might be able to help us if we have some difficulties with our car rental? Are there any interesting coin dealers in any of the spots we are passing through or is there anything we can do for you in these areas? We will leave here November 4 and expect to return in one month. It may be that we will finish our journey early and, if we do, I wouldn't be surprised if we would come to London before we come home. I will be glad to let you know if we make any such plans to come to London.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN
315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri
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61-62, Gracechurch Street,
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TELEPHONES: MANSION HOUSE 6341-2.
TELEGRAMS: KRATOS, BILGATE, LONDON.

Our Ref. D/A 2784/53

3rd December 1953

Dear Sir,

re L. S. Forrer

We would refer you to the correspondence we had with you earlier this year regarding the above named. After receiving your last letter, we wrote to Forrer but he completely ignored the matter and we were therefore in the position of being able to achieve nothing without recourse to proceedings.

We now have to inform you, however, that we observed in "The Times" last week that Mr. Forrer has recently died. We cannot as yet say the exact date but it was probably within the last ten days.

At the moment, we have no knowledge of who his Executors are nor of the extent of his estate (if any). If he has left any estate, it may well be that there may now be a better chance of recovering some or all of the debt due than there was during his lifetime. Presumably his Executors will be bound to deal with the matter before they can complete the winding up of the estate.

We therefore suggest that we should make enquiries to ascertain who are the Executors and give them formal notice of your claim and invite them to settle it without further trouble. If we are unable to achieve an amicable settlement, then we think there will be no alternative to taking proceedings, provided of course, that Forrer's estate is sufficiently large to justify proceedings. In any event it should be possible to ascertain what has happened to the coins.

If proceedings become necessary, the first step will be to get you and Mr. Gessler to prove the late Mr. Johnson's Will in this country to enable you to sue for the debt due to the estate. So far as the debt due to you and Mr. Gessler is concerned, that is to say thedebt arising out of your having continued trading after Mr. Johnson's death, you will have to sue personally. We will leave over advising you as to this for the time being and await your instructions.

p.t.o.

The enclosed cutting from "The Times" of Saturday, November 28th, 1953, may be of interest to you.

Yours faithfully,

STRONG & CO.

Eric P. Newman, Esq.,
315, Washington Avenue,
St. Louis, 2.
Missouri.
U. S. A.

December 7, 1953

Strong & Co.
61-62 Gracechurch Street
London, E. C. 3
England

Re: D/A 2784/53

L. S. Forrer

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of December 3, 1953.

The Leonard Forrer who died is the father of the Leonard S. Forrer whom you contacted and therefore there is no problem which has developed by virtue of this death.

Thank you, very much, for advising me of the situation, however.

For the moment, I believe, nothing should be done.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN
315 Washington Avenue
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8th October, 1953.

Mr. Eric P. Newman.
315 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2, MO.
U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

Thank you so much for your kind reply of October 5th. As the Export Book Company have returned my cheque, I think we will leave the matter where it stands, as I waited for your further advice before having a second cheque endorsed from an American Account. I will write to the Export Book Company today and explain that I have heard from you, and that you have returned the books and are therefore not sending them any further remittance.

I am very interested in hearing of your summer vacation trip, and I think you will enjoy it. Fortunately I think I can be of some real help to you. When you get to Lisbon please contact my very good friend, Mr. C. de Noronha, who is a partner in the Banking Firm of Costa, Lda., Rua do Ouro, 109, Lisbon. Although a rather rugged individual he is very nice indeed, speaks English extraordinarily well for a Portugese, as he was for many years in the Portugese Colonies bordering on Southern Rhodesia where he had many friends. You will find that he is more pro-British than many English people are, and will probably be helpful in every possible way. If you have any difficulties with your car rental, or any difficulties whatsoever, you need have no hesitation in approaching him, and as we have a running account we can always settle matters between us.

Apart from that firm in Lisbon, there is another rather well-known Bank which also deals in coins across the road. They are Messrs. Almeida, Basto & Piombino & Co., Rua do Ouro 52-54, Lisbon. I have no tie-up with that firm, and in fact I do not like them very much (this is confidential), although I am on good terms with Dr. Batalha Reis who runs the Numismatic Department. The Senior Partner, Mr. Almeida, is the sort of man I think you will not care for much more than I do.

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In South Spain there are no coin dealers at all, though you might here and there find a money changer who has a few coins in the window on one side, but I do not know this.

In North Africa the only coin dealer who is at all active and knows what he is doing is in Tunis. I have, however, a very good friend in Casablanca, and if you have a moment I would be more than grateful if you would call on him and give him my kindest regards. He is a Frenchman whose mother was English, and most of whose life was spent in Cairo. Both his English and his French are absolutely perfect, and he is a charming elderly person who could be of some use to you in suggesting what you might care to see. The name is Captain F. Prunier, 6 Rue Chollet, Casablanca. You may find that he is rather lame as a result of a car accident in Paris in 1945, when we were working together. He was in a jeep into which a fast French car collided, and he was thrown out on his head. In spite of everything though, you will find him a pleasant person to meet.

If you do come to London, it will of course be a real pleasure to meet both of you again.

Yours sincerely,

(L.S. FORRER).

Director.

December 9, 1953

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
L. S. Forrer, Ltd.
Empire House, 175, Piccadilly
London, W. 1, England

Dear Leonard:

I just returned from Europe and enjoyed meeting Carlos de Noronha. He was very cooperative and was able to obtain a car for us to rent which was helpful. I appreciated, very much, your letter of introduction and enjoyed his sense of humor.

We found Morocco very fascinating and toured to Marrakech where we met Robert Morley who, you will recall, was the star in "The Little Hut" which ran in London so long. He and his wife were very pleasant and we were about the only English speaking people there.

I have been advised that your father passed away. He not only lived a full life, but his contributions to knowledge will be a permanent recognition of his ability.

I would like to have you give me a report as to where this puts you and if there are any benefits which you are to receive. I would very much like to dispose of the open matters between us and know you will cooperate in this respect.

I was shocked to learn how much the King of Egypt owes Hans and I hope that he gets some of his money. He indicated that you seemed to want to see that he got what was coming to him but that he was not sure of his other confreres. He certainly must have been charging the King prices which would make Burdette roll over in his grave.

I look forward to hearing from you with respect to your situation and I hope that you and your family are well.

Sincerely yours

ERIC P. NEWMAN

Strong & Co.

61-62 Gracechurch Street,

London, E.C.3.

Our Ref. D/A 2784/53

11th December 1953.

Dear Sir,

L. S. Forrer

We thank you for your letter of the 7th instant and note that the Mr. Leonard Forrer to whom we referred is the father of the person with whom we have been dealing. We had not of course met Mr. Forrer although we believe the late Mr. Strong had, and had we met, no doubt we would have appreciated that this was a different person.

We note that you are of opinion that nothing further should be done in the matter for the time being and we will await your further instructions before taking any further steps.

Yours faithfully,

STRONG & CO.

Eric P.Newman, Esq.,
315 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis,2.
Missouri,
U. S. A.

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CABLES - - MEDALLION, LONDON

14th December, 1953.

Mr. Eric P. Newman.
315 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2, MO.
U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of December 9th.

I am so glad that your trip was so enjoyable, and I know that Carlos de Noronha, who to my mind is a delightful person, would be helpful.

Thank you, too, for your kind expressions of sympathy on the death of my father. I cannot as yet give you any details as to what the outcome of his estate will be, as I myself am still in the dark. I know that he will have left me some money, which should help to put me straight, but until the estate is realised, it will not be possible to ascertain what this is likely to be. I will, however, keep you advised as soon as I myself am in the picture.

Amongst other things he had a very valuable collection of Numismatic books, which I understand are to be offered by auction in the coming Spring. As my father was fond of fine bindings and in his long life he was able to acquire most of the books that are in such tremendous demand at the present moment, I would judge that the collection will bring more than he possibly anticipated. On this and on other property of his naturally hangs the value of the estate.

Yours sincerely,

(L. S. FORRER).
Director.

December 31, 1953

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
Forrer, Ltd.
175 Piccadilly
London 1, England

Dear Leonard:

Your letter of December 14th is at hand.

I am wondering if you could send me a catalogue of the Farouk sale and also let me know whether you are planning to bid at that sale. I fully realize all the connivery which is liable to take place and also that the sale might have to be called off because they might not be able to give a decent title. In any event I would appreciate it if you would let me know what you plan to do with respect to the sale.

I have several solicitations of those who wish to represent others at the sale but you might be in a better position in case there are some things I might want.

Happy New Year and kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN
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CABLES: MEDALLION, LONDON

4th January, 1954.

Mr. Eric P. Newman.
315 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2, MO.
U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

As desired, I am sending you a copy of the Farouk Sale Catalogue.

As yet, I have not been able to take a definite decision whether to attend the Sale or not. As the expense involved is fairly large, and my general policy with regard to a Sale is not to go unless I feel assured before I leave that the Commissions I hold are such as to make it reasonably certain that the expenses will be covered. In addition, as you so rightly state, I am afraid that prices may rule very high, partly through the snob appeal of the name, and partly because the Sale is being held in Cairo where there is a good deal of Middle East money looking for a home.

As regards title, I do not think there will be any trouble over that. We have consulted one of the best international lawyers, and in his view the Egyptian Government is within its sovereign rights in sequestrating the collection, so that no claims can possibly lie against purchasers at the Sale by third parties.

As you may well imagine, I have seen all the various explosive letters which Hans Schulman has been sending around, but in point of fact his claims really lie against the ex-King who bought as a private individual, and he cannot really attack purchasers at the Sale unless he has furnished in advance a complete list of coins on which he lays claim. Months ago he was requested to do so, but so far has never produced the list, so that any action he were to take after the Sale has taken place, would be thrown out on the basis that no advance information was supplied, so that the purchasers acted in all good faith. I am pretty sure of the legal position, as we went into this very thoroughly.

May I therefore leave the question in abeyance for the time being, and as soon as I have been able to take a definite

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decision I will write again at the earliest possible moment.

Yours sincerely,

(L. S. FORTER).

Director.

# INVOICE

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Mr. Eric P. Newman.
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January 29, 1954

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
L. S. Forrer Ltd.
175 Piccadilly
London W 1, England

Dear Leonard:

I received the Egyptian Palace catalogue and was very interested in the manner in which the auction is to be held. I think prices will be dirt cheap because no one except dealers will risk substitution of coins and all the problems relative to the coins being cleaned, attachments and title problems in the future. I certainly recognize many of the coins having passed through Mr. Johnson's hands.

Would you be kind enough to pay to Export Book Company, 63 Havelock Terrace, Preston, Lancashire, the sum of 31 pounds 17 shillings for my account.

I would very much like for you to send me from your List No. 35, No. 683, being the Sovereign of Elizabeth and No. 742 being the Vatican 100 lire.

Charles Wormser tells me that he is trying to get Mrs. Allen to adjust some of her prices so that more of that material can be sold - that is, I hope that will happen.

George Gessler, who you will recall is the other executor with me of the Johnson Estate, is losing his second wife just as he lost his first, through cancer, and it has been a terrible ordeal for him.

Best of luck to you.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

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Dear Mr. Newman.

Thank you for letting me see the two coins; they are perfectly genuine and the Elizabeth is a particularly pleasing specimen. I note that you might be willing to dispose of them. But owing to the restrictions on the purchase of luxury articles [illegible] in dollars I am afraid that I cannot entertain their purchase, and as you suggest I therefore return them.

With many thanks

Yours sincerely

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Mr. Eric P. Newman.
315 Washington Avenue,
ST. LOUIS 2, MO. U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

Thank you very much for your kind reply of January 29th. I am afraid I hardly agree with you that the prices at the auction sale in Cairo will be dirt cheap, though I do agree that the major portion of the collection will be bought by Dollars. Considering the large number of dealers who are going there both from America and Europe, plus the undoubted Egyptian interest in the collection, my view is that prices will be very high, - but time will tell!

As desired, I have sent a cheque to the Export Book Company in the sum of £31.17.0d. for your account, and will forward their receipt if it is sent to me.

As regards the two coins you kindly order from List 35, I am sending them to you packed very flat, together with a letter, which please disregard. I have to do this in order to cover myself, as technically I should get a Bank of England C Form, which means that they have to be paid for in Dollars.

I know that Charles Wormser is trying to get Mrs. Allen to adjust some of her prices. That is the difficulty with us too over here, and the trouble lies in the fact that she not only takes the Johnson valuations, but does some peculiar mathematics of her own, at something like 20% to 30% of the Johnson price, in order to cover what has been, or will be, paid as state duties. That, together with the rise in the value of the Dollar since the devaluation, gives us many a headache. If she would only be a little more flexible, it would frankly in the long run be to her advantage, but being a lady, her reasoning is quite different from that of a man, and I have never been able to follow exactly her train of thought!

I am very distressed to hear about George Gardner's serious time. It seems hardly credible that such a tragedy should happen to a man twice in a lifetime! She was such a vivacious person when I knew her, that I can hardly credit it. Please express to him my real sympathy, and give him my affectionate regards.

Yours sincerely,

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February 17, 1954

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
L. S. Forrer Ltd.
175 Piccadilly
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Dear Leonard:

Henry Stevens,Son and Stiles, 39 Great Russell Street, London W.C.1, England, have offered for sale a book entitled "The American Negotiator" published in London in 1761, being item No. 434 in their recent catalogue, priced at $15.00. Please be kind enough to acquire it and send it to me and if there will be any commission they will allow you there will be no objection to it. I will appreciate your prompt cooperation.

Wayte Raymond agrees with you that the prices at the Farouk sale will be very high and apparently the results of the stamp auction indicate that you are completely right.

I spent a very pleasant day in New York with Wayte Raymond, who is in excellent health and very interesting. I did not mention your name in any way and neither did he but he certainly has played his cards right as he has a nice inventory of coins which he merely sells at his convenient so as to produce an income for himself.

A friend of mine, Mrs. R. Henry Norweb, is going to do some research on American coins at the British Museum early in March. Since her husband is an American diplomat and they are friends of Winston Churchill I am sure they will get full cooperation. I recently wrote the British Museum to try to determine by whom the Nova Constellatio coinage was made in Birmingham, England, and I am looking forward to a reply in due course.

Kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

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1st March, 1954.

Mr. Eric P. Newman.
315 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis, 2,
MO. U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of 17th February. I have only just today received the book you require from Henry Stevens, Son & Stiles, and am despatching it to you by registered book post. We had to telephone three times after writing, in order to get them to act! They seem rather a sleepy firm. I enclose the invoice for your records.

I am very much looking forward to seeing Mr. & Mrs. Norweb, as I have already been in communication with them some time last year, and they told me that they expected to come to London on their return from Cairo. I will certainly do my very best for both of them when they are over here, and I am sure that the British Museum will co-operate.

As regards Cairo, I shall be more than interested to hear what they have to say, as also some of our colleagues when they come back, in view of the disturbances during the last three days. I can imagine some of our colleagues having somewhat cold feet!! I have no report yet on the sale, but such details as have appeared in the Press sould seem to show that prices were ruling high. I see Mr. David Spink bought the 1815 5-Dollars for £1070, and he also bought the sixteen 20-Dollar pieces, 1924-1932 (Lot 185) for £2870, out of which the 1933 apparently was withdrawn for return to the U.S. Government.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

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April 28, 1954

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
L.S.Forrer Ltd.
175 Piccadilly
London W1, England

Dear Leonard:

I am gathering information at the present time and thought you might be able to help me.

First, I would like a copy of Seaby's bulletin for June, 1949 containing an article on copper evasions. Would you be kind enough to locate one and send it to me.

In Gruber's book on English Coins it states that in 1672 a law was passed prohibiting the circulation of tradesmen's tokens. I have checked the English statutes and am unable to find any such law. Perhaps it was by proclamation or some other method peculiar to the times. Would any of your confreres know how I might be able to get the text of this law?

I hope you and your family are well and that you are doing a few things that we can be proud of.

I will appreciate your help.

Sincerely

ERIC P. NEWMAN
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May 3rd., 1954.

Mr. Eric P. Newman.
315 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2,
MISSOURI. U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

Thank you so much for your kind note of April 28th.

I will do my best to get you a copy of SEABY'S Bulletin for June, 1949, and if unsuccessful I will copy the article in question from my bound volume.

I have not been able to trace the reference you make to GRUBER'S Handbook on the law passed in 1672, but in MONTAGU'S "Copper Coins in England", Page 37, he states: "On the 16th August, 1672, the King's Proclamation was issued making the new Halfpenny and Farthing a legal tender only for sums less than 6d., and penalties were again proclaimed against providing Tokens which had previously been put into circulation to a very considerable extent to meet the requirements of trade, but the coinage of which was soon after the Proclamation mentioned, wholly discontinued".

In BROOKE'S "English Coins", Page 219, he states: "In 1672, when a copper coinage was ready for circulation, Proclamation was made forbidding their (i.e. tradesmen's tokens) use. The order was almost universally obeyed, but two years later the cities of Chester and Norwich were offending and had to be threatened with legal proceedings."

I should have thought that a copy of the Proclamation would be available at the Public Records Office in Chancery Lane, London, W.C.2., but I have never had anything to do with that august body, and imagine that one would have to go there and copy it out. If you would like me to do this, do not hesitate to let me know.

I have been exceedingly busy of late, and I think the eventual results, though not immediate, will be to our mutual satisfaction.

With kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Leonard

(L. S. FORRER).- Director.

May 4, 1954

Mr. Leonard Forrer
L. S. Forrer Ltd
175 Piccadilly
London W1, England

Dear Leonard:

As long as I have asked you to send me something from Seaby's, it might be well if I had available some of their other publications and would appreciate it if you would send at the same time, Catalogue of Greek Coins, 1951, Catalogue of Roman Coins, 1948, Standard Coins of Great Britain and Ireland, 1952 and two pamphlets on English silver coins. I believe they will be useful.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN
315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri
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May 7, 1954

Mr. Leonard S.Forrer
L. S. Forrer Ltd
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Dear Leonard:

Thank you for your nice letter of May 3 which crossed my letter of May 5. I would like to obtain a copy of Montagu's "Copper Coins of England" and would appreciate it if you could locate one for me.

I suspected that the 1672 proclamation was not a statutory law and the information you gave is sufficient for my purposes. Now that you mention the Public Records Office, I would like, very much, to obtain a copy of the Royal Warrant issued May 20, 1773 authorizing Virginia half pennies to be made. So far as I know this has never been published in America and should be interesting. Would you see if you can obtain photostat or transcript. Perhaps there is a book which contains copies of Royal Warrants of this sort and a reference thereto or photostat of the proper page would serve my purpose.

I have virtually reached the conclusion that no copper halfpence evasions ever circulated in America and all the unauthorized coppers sent to us were regular copper counterfeits. There seem to be more evasions dated 1771 than any other date and therefore I concluded that the 1771 statute making it a felony to counterfeit copper or to become an utterer of false money caused the change in legends on copper; however, 1775 is the year more counterfeits are dated than any other year and it seems that the enforcement of the 1771 law had completely broken down by then. Do any of these references give any reason as to why the 1771 law was not enforced, as everyone knew that these coins were being made in Birmingham.

I have almost reached the conclusion that the word "Bungtown", which was used in America with reference to spurious coppers, is a satiric contraction of Birminghamtown. The counterfeits sent from England were called Birmingham coppers and although no origin of the word "Bungtown" is known, the word "Bung" might be a parody on the English method of shortening names and the word "town" is added just like it sometimes was added to Londontown. How did the cockney group pronounce "Birmingham"?

Incidentally, if you can find me both of the Atkins' books on coinage I would enjoy having them in my library, particularly the one with the list of Bungtown coppers.

If you have any suggestions concerning the foregoing problems, I would appreciate them.

Sincerely yours,

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Dec. [illegible] 1954.

Mr. Eric Newman,
[illegible] Kingshighway Avenue,
St. Louis 8,
Missouri.

Dear Eric,

I sent you yesterday the Dyck, which you will find you require, as I am sending you today, by [illegible] your letter of the 4th, three of the [illegible] new thalers. I will have to find you must ask [illegible] for "Die Thaler der Ernestinischen Linie, 1486-1542", which I am out of stock at the moment, but I shall not be able to supply "Thaler des Hauses Sachsen", 1542, in fact I am not sure what. I believe that Hahn is contemplating a new and amplified edition, I am sure I will be interested in the "Modern Silver Coins", Vol. I - Republic to Augustus, of which Vol. II will be the revised edition of the "Catalogue". I can let you have Vol. I at £1/-.

There is also to be had "The Coinage of Roman Britain" by Gilbert Askew, also published by Spink at 10/- 6d.

Yours sincerely,

Leonard S. Forrer.

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10th May, 1954.

Mr. Eric P. Newman.
215 Washington Avenue,
St. LOUIS 8, MO.

Dear Eric,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of May 7th.

As desired, I am sending you today MONTAGU'S "Copper Coins of England", and ATKINS "Colonial Coins and Tokens", both of which happen to be in stock. I will look out for a copy of ATKINS "Tradesmen's Tokens of the 18th Century", which should not be too difficult to get, and as soon as I have it I will ship it on.

I am also writing to the Public Records Office to see whether I can obtain a copy, either photostat or transcript, of the Royal Warrant of May 20th, 1773. I am not aware of a book which contains a copy of Royal Warrants, but as this is a little out of my line, I think my best bet is to write to the Record Office, who will probably advise me.

I am afraid I have not very much information to supplement what you already know about these copper evasions. The only thing I remember which may throw some light on what used to happen is a very interesting paper which was read at the British Numismatic Society some two years or so ago by an Assistant Curator of the Ashmolean Museum in Oxford on the subject of the Cayenne Sou. It appears that on looking through some Admiralty papers he discovered a lengthy correspondence from the Captain in charge of a ship in the (I think) Windward Islands, who was approached by the local Naval storekeeper regarding the shortness of change on the Island, stating that he was unable to pay the personnel, and also asking for permission to broach a couple of cases of coins addressed to a private party in Cayenne, as they were said to contain coins. The Captain of the ship took it on himself to give permission, and on opening the cases, they were found to contain these little copper coins with crowned "C" for Cayenne, made in Birmingham (and not overstruck on the French colonial sou), together with the invoice, and the Captain in his letter to the Admiral complains bitterly of the huge profit which this private trader would make on placing there in circulation,

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but gave authority for the consignment to be confiscated and used for the benefit of the particular payments required on that Island.

I wish I could lay my hands on the article itself, which I thought I had seen in print, and if I do I will send it on to you, as it does throw a little bit on this particular type of trade.

It is, of course, quite possible that the word "Bungtown" is a satiric contraction of Birmingham Town. The colloquial name for Birmingham is "Brummagen", often abbreviated to "Brum", which seems to lend a little more colour to the contraction "Bungtown"!

Yours sincerely,

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12th May, 1954.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
915 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2,
MO. U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

You will be pleased to hear that I have just managed to secure a copy of ATKINS: "Tokens of the 18th Century", which you asked for.

It is a nice clean copy and includes the Addenda, and I am sending it off to you today by Printed Matter Post.

Please find the invoice attached.

Kind regards,

Sincerely,

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Mr. Eric P. Newman.
315 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2. Mo.
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11th May. 1954.

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| SEABY: Notes on English Coins: | | - | 5 0 |
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June 1, 1954

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
L. S. Forrer Ltd.
175 Piccadilly
London W 1, England

Dear Leonard:

The literature and information you sent me are much appreciated and I believe I have learned a good deal.

One of the articles refers to F. P. Barnard's article on forgeries and evasions published in the Numismatic Chronicle for 1926 (5th series, Volume VI), and I would appreciate it if you could copy out this article for me if it is short, which it appears to be.

I would like to know whether the word "Bungtown" is used by English numismatists. I have concluded that its origin must be from a combination of Brum Town coppers and the word "bung" which, at that time, meant "pickpocket". In other words, by accepting the short weight copper coins, the Birmingham coiners were the pickpockets of the public. Is the word "bungtown" in any of your dictionaries?

As long as you are ordering the photostat of the warrant of May 20, 1773 with respect to the Virginia halfpence, I wonder if it would be possible to order copies of the patents issued to William Wood to coin the Rosa Americana and also the coppers for Ireland. This was given in 1722, as you know, and the Irish patent was surrendered, under pressure, in 1724. I do not know whether these were issued as one patent covering both issues or as two separate patents. I believe Wood had to pay 10,000£ to obtain this patent and it was obtained in the name of someone in the court's favor.

I will be glad to have you send me Head's book on Greek coins and some comprehensive work on Roman coins. If I should wait for the Seabey publication, that is perfectly satisfactory.

I appreciate your cooperation and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN
315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

EPN/atb

June 7, 1954

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
L. S. Forrer Ltd
175 Piccadilly
London W1, England

Dear Leonard:

A few days ago I wrote you to get a copy of the patent granted to William Wood for the Rosa Americana coinage and I find that the text of this was published in Crosby's "Early Coins of America". If, therefore, you have ordered copies of either of the Wood's patents, would you cancel those orders and indicate that their text has already been published and is available.

I have been very amused to learn that in the early part of the eighteenth century Irish halfpence circulated in America only for their metal value while English halfpence of the same size circulated for one pence. Confidence is a peculiar thing.

I am looking forward with great interest to the receipt of the copy of the warrant authorizing the Virginia coinage.

Incidentally, if you ever run into a collection of counterfeit British or Irish halfpence and farthings or find an accumulation of them in someone's junk box, I would be interested in obtaining them.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

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315 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

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9th June, 1954.

Mr. Eric P. Newman.
315 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2,
MISSOURI. U.S.A.

Dear Eric,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of June 1st.

Unfortunately I find that I have no copy of the Numismatic Chronicle for 1926, but I will borrow one and make a copy of the article in question for you, if it is not too long. If on having a look at it, I find that it is more than I can manage, I will see if I can pick up a copy of the particular part in which the article is to be found.

Also I am unable to trace the word "Bungtown" in any of the dictionaries we have, and I have never known of the use of that word by English numismatists. I am far more inclined to think that it is an American slang word derived from Brum Town, but characteristically altered to Bungtown, since, as you quite rightly say, the word "bung" is given as meaning a cut-purse or pick-pocket.

It is - as you know - very difficult to trace the origin of slang, and I am sure that in a few years time, for instance, no-one will remember why or how the term "Doodlebug" was applied to the German V1 Rockets shot against us in 1944. Even now I should be at a loss to know how to find how where or how this particular beastly object was so christened!

The Public Record Office have just notified us that the Photostat is ready, and ask for payment in advance - as usual with Government Offices. I have sent them the money so that all being well I should be able to send you the Photostat in two or three days time. In my letter enclosing the payment I have made enquiries regarding the patents of 1722 to which you refer, and I will let you know what the answer is.

As desired, I am sending you a copy of HEAD on Greek Coins, which is still by far the best book on the subject.

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As to Roman Coins, I do not think, on mature reflection, that SEABY'S book would be what you require, as it is more of a catalogue than a book, and only covers silver coins. The best book on the subject, and the one which I should like to supply is MATTINGLY'S "Roman Coins". It is unfortunately out of print, but copies do turn up occasionally, and as soon as I can lay my hands on one I will send it to you.

There is also Professor Michael Grant's new book which is very interesting, although I do not accept all of his conclusions, and it does not cover the whole of the Roman Imperial coinage. It may be, however, that you would find it of use, particularly as he goes in for certain subjects that are not always treated as extensively in other works.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(L.S. FORRER).
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Eighty-eight coins have been chosen to illustrate the main themes; in order to facilitate reference, these are reproduced in the text, on the same page as the passages in which they are considered. Numerous further coins appear on the forty-one collotype plates, sixteen of them showing enlargements. A key to the plates indicates the collections to which each coin belongs, and the pages of the book on which it is discussed.

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Wherever the coins can be understood without them, technical terms are avoided; when their inclusion is unavoidable, they are defined in the footnotes or List of Latin Terms. Place-names are shown on a map. For the benefit of those who may wish to devote further study to the subject, additional notes giving references to books and articles are added at the end.

*The author is Professor of Humanity in the University of Edinburgh and has recently been elected President of the Royal Numismatic Society.*

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Mr. Eric P. Newman.
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Dear Eric,

Thank you for your further letter of June 7th.

I have accordingly cancelled my enquiry to the Public Record Office with regard to the Patents granted to William Wood for the Rosa Americana coinage.

The Photostat arrived this morning, and I am sure you will find it of great interest. I am sending it to you by registered letter post sea-mail, as it did not seem worthwhile spending the extra on sending it by air, as it is in a heavy cardboard tube which weighs quite a lot.

I shall certainly remember that you would like a collection of counterfeit British or Irish Halfpence and Farthings, and will keep my eyes open for them. I do know someone who has a little lot, which I have tried to get out of him, but he claims that he is trying to collect them and is a difficult person who, as soon as one shows any interest in anything he has, immediately imagines they must be worth a fabulous amount!

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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Mr. Richard N. D. Petter and Mr. Laurence J. Odell will continue as partners in the amalgamated firm, together with Mr. William Fuller and Mr. Leslie Freeman, M.B.E., the present partners of Messrs. C. R. Enever, Freeman & Co., who have for many years been in practice in London and the provinces.

All members of our staff will be remaining with us in the new firm, which will retain the essential character of Strong & Co., and we shall continue to be fully available to give personal attention to our clients. Furthermore, we feel that the best interests of our clients will be served by having at their disposal the full resources and experience of the larger and more widespread organisation which will come into being.

We look forward to a continuation of our association with you.

Richard N. D. Petter.

Laurence J. Odell.

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August 8, 1957

Mr. Eric Newman
8 So Dwight Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

I completed certain business with Mr. Glen and since I did not want to add an payment to him, see no reason why payment should not be sent to Leonard's account. Enclosed please find check in the amount of $13.00 for his account.

Sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO., INC.

Charles J. Hermer
President

CJH:dn

Encl. check

cc-Mr. Leonard Forrer

September 17, 1954

Phillip and Richard Parker
98 Fulham Road SW 3
London, England

Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 4 indicating that you received the $225.00 check.

I am quite surprised that my friend, Leonard Forrer, did not contact you and am writing him, again, to ask him to pay for the packing and shipping charges on our behalf. If he does not I will, of course, send you further funds.

Mrs. Samuel B. Edison purchased and paid for a mahogany bucket costing 20 pounds from J.J.Drukker, 17 George Street or Bakers Street, London W 1. This bucket is supposed to be shipped with the chair. Would you obtain this bucket and ship it with the chair. I know you will have no difficulty finding the bucket. Mr. Forrer has the receipted bill..

Again may I apologize for the lack of cooperation which Mr. Forrer has given you and I am trying to find out what the difficulty is.

Please make the shipment to Mrs. Samuel B. Edison, 400 Washington Avenue, St. Louis 2, Missouri,U.S.A.. This is the office address of Mr. Edison, where shipments and mail are customarily sent.

Thank you for your helpfulness.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri
U.S.A.

September 17, 1954

Mr. Leonard Forrer
L. S. Forrer Ltd.
175 Piccadilly
London W1, England

Dear Leonard:

I just was informed that you have never contacted Phillip and Richard Parker, 98 Fulham Road, SW 3, London, with respect to the library ladder chair and I do not understand why you are treating me in this manner.

On July 16, 1954 you wrote me that you would make the necessary arrangements to have the wooden tub and the ladder chair shipped and then you did nothing about it. In the meantime it has been necessary for me to arrange for payment for the library ladder chair. The tub has already been paid for. Phillip and Richard Parker have been instructed to have the items packed a shipped and I want you to take care of the packing and shipping costs by sending them the amount of their estimate forthwith.

I want a report from you as to this situation, regardless. I think I have been unusually easy with you but, apparently, it is unappreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Allison said they enjoyed meeting you and indicated your cooperation would be immediate.

Why don't you back up your charm with a little reliability.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

E:N/atb

St. Louis, Missouri
October 29, 1954

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
L. S. Forrer Ltd
175 Piccadilly
London W1, England

Dear Leonard:

I am glad that you came to life to a very mild extent to take care of some of the incidentals with respect to our ladder chair. The dock strike, apparently, held it up further.

I just learned of the new book by Sir John Craig entitled "The Mint" and I am able to get that in America. I would like to write a letter to Sir John Craig asking him a question or two and wonder if you know his address.

Would you be kind enough to take care of the cost of a book which I ordered from Export Book Company 63 Havelock, Preston, Lancashire, for 8 pounds, 3 shillings, entitled "Alexander Justice", and being a treatise on coins and exchanges published in 1707.

I have finished my work on Virginia halfpence and it will be published by Wayte Raymond or one of the Historical Societies. I have given you credit for having located the royal warrant for me.

I am now seeking whether there is a royal warrant issued in connection with the British token in pewter issued with the equestrian statute of James II and with the denomination 1/24th real. It wouldn't surprise me if there was a warrant issued and nobody has found it, as yet.

Please let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

EPN/atb

CC:
Mr. George Gessler
Mrs. Mary Cruzan
Mrs. Mary Sheffield

December 9, 1954

Mr. Leonard S. Forrer
L. S. Forrer, Ltd.
175, Piccadilly
London, W.1, England

Dear Leonard:

Receipt is acknowledged of the notice that a special meeting is being called on December 21, 1954 to dissolve L. S. Forrer Limited and to have Waller Broad act as liquidator. I am very sorry to see these operations come to an end.

I would like for you to write me giving me the assets and the liabilities of the company, in a general way, and let me know to what extent creditors will be paid.

I would also wish you to let me know what your personal plans are for the future and what your own financial picture is. Are you planning to continue in the coin business personally or, are you planning to do something else? You understand that the relationship between the estate of Burdette Johnson and yourself with respect to merchandise delivered was personal, and not corporate, and I would like to know the extent, if any, to which obligations to the estate might have been placed on the corporation's books.

I know that all of these matters are embarrassing to you and disillusioning but I do want an accurate answer.

I am looking forward to hearing from you with respect to the information you located through the deputy keeper of the record office about the plantation coinage.

Sincerely,

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> "That it has been proved to the satisfaction of this Meeting that the Company by reason of its liabilities cannot continue its business, and that it is advisable to wind up the same, and accordingly that the Company be wound up voluntarily, and that Mr. Waller Broad, Chartered Accountant of 30, Fleet Street, London, E.C.4. be, and is hereby nominated, Liquidator, for the purpose of such winding up."

A Member entitled to attend and vote at the above-mentioned Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy, who need not be a Member of the Company, to attend and vote instead of him.

Dated this Third day of December, 1954.

By Order of the Board,

Secretary.

Exors. of the late
Burdette Garner Johnson.

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GENERAL MEETING of the Company to be held on the twenty-first

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Mr. George Dessler
711 St. Charles Street
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Dear George:

During the year 1954 there was collected, in cash, from L. S. Forrer, $502.30. Under the arrangement of dividing between the Johnson Estate and myself, I am to receive 35%, or $175.80. I am enclosing a check for that sum which I will appreciate your signing.

I have written to Leonard asking him what his personal situation is as he owes the accounts personally. If he goes out of the coin business I think we should close up the estate. If there is a chance of him making any progress personally, consideration might be given to continued collections. As I have previously indicated to you I do not believe there will be any further payments to the girls when this account is distributed. I hope I am wrong.

I shall be glad to discuss this matter with you.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

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13th December 1954.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
400 Washington Avenue,
St. Louis 2, Mo.

Dear Eric,

Life has been so tremendously busy these last few days that I have not had an opportunity of writing to you as I had intended. Taking your last paragraph first, I am sending you the photostat by separate printed matter, and I think it will give you just the information you require.

Thank you so much for the kindness of your letter to me; I cannot tell you how sorry I am that the Company is not in a position to meet its liabilities. This has been a cumulative position which has arisen from various causes, some of which are external, as I have had to meet very fierce competition. The accountants are at the moment preparing a statement of assets and liabilities, and I will certainly send you a copy in due course.

My personal plans for the future naturally were thrown into a complete disarray by this unfortunate turn of events. Fortunately, Mr. Jacques Schulman of Amsterdam, finding himself without his oldest assistant, who died recently after having been with the firm for fifty years, has asked me to join him, and I have decided, after spending the weekend with him in Amsterdam, to do so as from 1st January 1955.

My own financial picture is not too good, but I shall be leaving the country without owing any debts at all except an overdraft on my personal account with the bank, which is secured by the cash value of insurance policies. I have always understood that the relationship between myself and the estate of Burdette Johnson, with respect to the merchandise delivered, was personal, and not corporate, and the books have always been so adjusted that the obligations to the estate have always been kept completely separate from the accounts of the Company. What I should like from you, however, is a statement of the position between us, so that I may take it up with the accountants, who have kept this separate account for me at my request. We can then check it up, and I imagine we shall probably agree. As to the repayment of the balance due, you should get further payments from Charles Wormser, and as soon as I can clear this situation here, it will be easier for me from Holland to arrange for payment from Switzerland to be sent from time to time, as that, too, is a personal and not a corporate arrangement.

So out of evil even good may come; having the advantage of working in day-to-day contact with Mr. Jacques Schulman in the same line of business, I shall gain, as my great difficulty since the death of Burdette Johnson has been that I have had no one to consult. On the other hand, I have a very fine list of customers which I shall take over, and the combined strength of the two of us should result in an increase in the Dutch firm's turnover, all of which will be financially advantageous to me according to the agreement which is already in draft.

This is as far as I can go at the moment, but when we have facts and figures on either side, we shall know better where we are.

Yours sincerely,

L. S. FORRER.

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December 14, 1954

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Enclosed please find check for the B.G. Johnson Estate for the account of Leonard Forrer.

With best regards.

Sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO.,INC.

Charles M. Wormser
President

CMW:dn

Encl. check for $87.11

cc-Mr. Leonard Forrer
175 Piccadilly
London W.1, England

December 17, 1954

Mr. Charles Wormser
New Netherlands Coin Company
1 West 47th Street
New York 36, New York

Dear Charles:

Thank you, very much, for your check as a continued payment on Leonard's account. A carbon copy of your letter was supposed to go to Leonard and was sent to me; therefore, I am returning it so that it can be remailed.

Leonard has just written me that his corporation is liquidating but that his obligations to the Estate of B.G.Johnson are personal and he hopes to continue to work on these payments.

He advises me that he is going with Jacques Schulman, in Amsterdam, and is moving his family there. People's lives take strange turns.

I have a number of matters to talk over with you and hope that I can get to New York in the near future. In the meantime, best regards for the holidays.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

December 17, 1954

Mr. George Gessler
711 St. Charles Street
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear George:

Leonard is moving to Amsterdam to go in business with Hans Schulman's first cousin. He acknowledges his obligation personally to the coins turned over to him in St. Louis and expects payments to continue whenever he can.

In this morning's mail I got a check for $87.11, which is enclosed, and I am also enclosing a check for you to sign covering 35% of this amount. Would you sign and return my check.

Best wishes for the holidays.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

January 18, 1955

Mrs. Mary Sheffield
361 Clinton Ave., Apt. 9-F
Brooklyn, New York

Dear Mary:

Mary Cruzan just wrote me that you were going to Europe and would be in London and I wanted to tell you that there are some coins in London which belong half to the estate and half to me and you are, of course, entitled to a one-fourth interest in them if I can get them to America. I brought some of them to America previously and have left the balance with a friend of mine there because of miscellaneous restrictions on taking them out. They are in three or four separate packages 6x1½x1½. The thought occurred to me that you would like to bring home what you could of them. If you do not wish to please do not feel obligated to do so as I will take care of it at the first opportunity. They are not particularly valuable but they are all in choice condition. I have a list of them. They are not heavy even though there are a good many items.

It is hopeless to contact Leonard Korrer. He is moving to Amsterdam to assist in a coin business there and although he recognizes his personal obligation to the estate we certainly aren't going to get anything from the bankruptcy of his corporation.

During 1954 we collected an aggregate of $589.41 from him, of which the estate gets 25%.

Would you be kind enough to let me know your plans and whether or not you would like to pick up some of these coins. They are with my friend, Jack Abbott, who ordinarily is at the Saxone Shoe Factory, Kilmarnock, Scotland, but who told me he has them in the safe in the London office of the company. If you intend to pick up any I will, of course, write him to have them available in London at one of the downtown stores.

Please advise me as to your wishes.

Sincerely,

ERN/atb

ERIC P. NEWMAN

Brooklyn 38 N.Y.
361 Clinton Ave

January 21, 1955.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
400 Washington Ave.,
St. Louis 2, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Please excuse me for failing to acknowledge the copy of your letter of December 9 to Leonard Forrar. At the time of its receipt my trip to Europe was more or less in the "dream" stage and I wanted to have my plans pretty well formulated before writing you. It had occurred to me that, while in London, I might be able to get a few pounds from Leonard for my personal use in England, such amount to be deducted from my share of the estate. Now, according to your letter of January 18, that procedure appears hopeless as, indeed, does the prospect of getting anything more out of him.

The European trip is fairly well lined up now. Our niece, Sally Sheffield, is sailing with me on the Queen Elizabeth May 4. We plan to do the Continent firstand then be in London on about June 11 where well headquarter four or five days, return on the Queen Mary, arriving in New York June 21. It will be my first trip abroad (Sally's third) so I am eager to see and do as much as time and my aching feet will permit. What with the intensive sightseeing program we have lined up, the friends who are already planning to entertain us and the fact that we are traveling with the least possible luggage, I don't see how I am going to be able to take care of the packages you have mentioned.

Furthermore, I don't believe I would want to take the responsibility of getting them home along with gifts, etc., we expect to buy without the danger of getting all fouled up - particularly, as it is my understanding that there is not much of value involved and it is problematical when the material could be disposed of anyway.

Thank you for keeping me informed. I am always glad to hear from you. With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

**New Netherlands Coin Co., Inc.**
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PHONES PLAZA 7-5245-6

March 17, 1955

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Enclosed please find check in the amount of $66.38 which I am forwarding to be credited against Leonard Forrer's account.

With warm personal regards.

Very sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO., INC.

Charles M. Wormser
President

CMW:dn

Encl. check

March 29, 1955

New Netherlands Coin Company
1 West 47th Street
New York 36, New York

Dear Charles and John:

Thank you for the check for the Johnson Estate. I certainly hope these continue.

John was going to send me some pictures of the pair of uniface Fugios with the radial lines.

I have begun to work on the half dollars and hope that I will be in a position to turn them over to you soon. I have so little time to work on my coins and, believe me, I am one who is reluctant to admit that my work is taking up too much time.

You were nice enough to send me the copies of your coming auction and I would appreciate it if you would forward me the following items for examination:

No. 406 through No. 434. The reason I am asking for these is that you do not list any counterfeits of the May 20, 1777 issue and only one of the Yorktown issue. I have a number of these counterfeits in my collection and have either a photostat of a blue or the blue sheet to check the others. I would like to see all of this group and will return them very promptly.

I would also like for you to do me a favor with respect to items No. 393 through No. 403. Some of these notes are signed by B. Levy and I would like to try to acquire some of them to give to the American Jewish Archives. Would you look at those and jot down for me which ones contain that signature.

I would also like for you to send me one note which contains the signature of James Wilson and Joseph Gardner which you will find in Lot No. 453.

**New Netherlands Coin Co., Inc.**
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PHONES PLAZA 7-5245-6

june 14, 1955

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Confirming our telephone conversation of last Friday, I should like to say that there will be further commissions accruing to the Estate of B. G. Johnson, on behalf of our mutual friend, L. . Forrer from sale of Brand material.

I am not at all sure just how much is involved nor can I tell you exactly for how long the commissions will be coming but there still is a certain amount which you will receive.

It was indeed a pleasure to see you as always, and I do hope that you will come to New York again in the not too distant future.

With warm personal regards.

Very sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO., INC.

Charles M. Wormser
President

CMW:dn

P.S. Just as soon as we get a little more settled after our sale, John will get to work on your Half Dollars.

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PHONES PLAZA 7-5245-6

June 27, 1955

Mr. Emil Newman
4490 Swell Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. [illegible]:

Enclosed please find the quarterly stipend for credit to Leonard Forrer's account.

check for $30.19 enclosed

Sincerely,

New Netherlands Coin Co., Inc.

Charles M. Forrer
President

CMF:dn

August 19, 1955

Mr. Leonard G. Porrer
C/o Jacques Schulman
Amsterdam, Holland

Dear Leonard:

Evelyn and I just returned from Europe but, unfortunately, we did not get to Amsterdam. We visited London and had a delightful time touring southern England. The main object of our trip was to go to Yugoslavia and it was an eye-opener to drive through that country. I met Hans in London and met Rosenberg in Lucerne.

I realize I have not written you since your letter of December 13, 1954 and, in the meantime, I hear that you are getting along nicely and have published a book, among other things.

This letter is more in the nature of another thank you for finding me the information on the James II pewter 1/2th real. You will note at the end of the enclosed article I gave you full credit.

I have been doing other research on items where the Public Records Office, in London, can be of assistance and their cooperation has been marvelous.

I certainly am glad you have been able to make the readjustment after going through the difficulties which you did and I hope that your family is now adjusted to Dutch life.

As soon as I have the opportunity I will write you in answer to your question on the financial side of things and merely wanted to send you greetings at this time since we were not able to stop in Amsterdam to do it personally.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

New Netherlands Coin Co., Inc.
SUITE 401
1 WEST 47TH STREET
NEW YORK 36, N. Y.

PHONES PLAZA 7-5245-6

September 29, 1955

Mr. Eric P.Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

It is not large but represents sales made during the last quarter.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO.,INC.

Charles M. Wormser
President

CMW:dn

Enclosed check $19.50

cc - Mr. Leonard Forrer

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PHONES PLAZA 7-5245-6

December 21, 1955

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

I am forwarding herewith check in the amount of $18.41 which I would appreciate having credited to the account of our mutual friend, Leonard Forrer.

With warm personal regards.

Sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO., INC.

Charles M. Wormser
President

CMW:dn

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June 22, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6450 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

I am forwarding herewith check in the amount of $250.57 for credit on your books to the account of our mutual friend, Leonard S. Forrer.

With best personal regards.

Sincerely,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO.,INC.

Charles M. Wormser
President

CMW:dn

cc- Mr. Leonard S. Forrer

June 27, 1950

Mrs. Mary Sheffield
301 Clinton Avenue, Apt. 5-F
Brooklyn, New York

Mrs. Mary Durian
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Mary:

I owed for most of you in the amount of $42.13 is enclosed herewith a personal note by the New Netherlands Coin Company for the account of Leonard S. Forman. A total of $75.57 was received which, like all coin collections of money on the Forman estate, has been equitably divided -- 33⅓ to me personally and one-half of the balance of 42⅞ to each of you.

I am sure you will be glad to know this issue remains are continuing.

Sincerely yours,

Louis E. Eliasberg

LE:/ekb

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PHONES PLAZA 7-5245-6


October 1, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
6950 Cecil Ave.
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Eric:

Just returned from Europe and wanted to tell you that I did talk to Leonard Forrer. Leonard has promised me that he was going to write to you as evidence of good faith and I would very much like to hear if he has done so.

For your information, he stated that he had every intention of doing something about you but that he did not feel he would be able to do anything before three years had passed.

As I said above, I asked him not to let the matter go by default but to at least apprise you of this. Sorry I could not do better for you.

With warm regards.

Sincerely,

Charles M. Moreser

CMM:dn

October 4, 1956

Mr. Charles Scribner
The Mathematics Club Co. Inc.
1 [illegible] 47th Street
New York 20, New York

Dear Charles:

[illegible] to forward you a copy of the speech I gave at the Mathematics Club Co. Inc. dinner. I am sure you will agree that what we told you to be different was different if we had self-reading at all. I do feel that the change of the weather was also one that you were glad you made. As you already know, I told you that the last week in the city which is so rich.

I certainly hope that you had an enjoyable trip and look forward to seeing you a few of the more interesting things.

Cordially yours,

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PHONES PLAZA 7-5245-6


December 27, 1956

Mr. Eric P. Newman
[illegible] Washington Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Eric:

Believe it or not, we are still having sales on Howard Farrer's behalf for the Pond Estate, and enclose herewith our check in the amount of $18.55, which you will, of course, credit the 1/64 account to the E. T. Newell Estate.

Always warm personal regards,

Cordially,

NEW NETHERLANDS COIN CO., INC.

Charles J. Gleason
President

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32½% 59.33 Sheffield
35% 63.89 EPN

CJG:lc

Enclosure

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September 4, 1959

Mr. Jacques Goudsmit
Keizersgracht 648
Amsterdam C, Holland

Dear Jacques:

When I visited your office I asked Leonard how he was getting along. He told me that at the end of this year he would have completed five years with you and that you had "rescued" him. He said that he was now encouraged that his future with you would give him further opportunities.

I asked him how he had gotten along with his personal obligations and he told me that he had paid off every one except some German obligations and the Johnson-Seaman matter. I told him that I had waited for five years so as to give him the opportunity of getting on his feet again even though things were blackest for him he treated me very shabbily. I told Leonard that if he could now work out something reasonable in connection with his indebtedness to the Johnson Estate and myself that I am sure that a reduction in the indebtedness could be arranged. He told me he appreciated that.

Leonard was a statement from me dated September, 1955, showing the amount due. Since that date there have been four remittances by New Netherlands aggregating $471.63 plus the coins which I picked up in Amsterdam. I would prefer that you asked Leonard, first, as to the amount due and if he does not advise you I will.

Before I took the coins I explained to Leonard that I felt he should do something to show his good faith. I suggested that I could take those coins on account if he could make himself responsible for paying for them and he told me that he could work out the matter with you.

I will be glad to explain anything else you wish.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

[illegible]
8000 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri [illegible]

MP/vatt

# Jacques Schulman

NUMISMAAT

Keizersgracht 448 · Amsterdam-C.

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PENNINGEN
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VEILINGEN

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VENTES PUBLIQUES

COINS
MEDALS
NUMISM. BOOKS
AUCTION SALES


Amsterdam, August 24th, 1959.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,
Messrs Edisom Brothers Stores, Inc.,
315 Washington Avenue,
ST. Louis. Mo.

Dear Mr. Newman,

It has been a pleasure for me to see you a short while in my office on Saturday last. I am sorry that I had to go away so soon, especially as I heard now that you have had an important conversation with Leonard Forrer. Had I known, or had you just hinted it to me, I would have liked to ask you some questions about this business, since they are my coins Leonard Forrer has given to you against his debt to you.

For my onw peace of mind I would very much like to know, and I would appreciate it very much if you could tell me, ( or if you prefer to Leonard Forrer)

a. how much the outstanding indebtedness was;

b. how much has been paid off during the years by Forrer, or by New Netherlands Coin Co. (etc.);

c. whether these coins amounting to Dutch florins 2265.- are now in full settlement of his indebtedness to you.

Hoping to hear from you shortly,

I am,
Yours sincerely,

September 2[illegible], 1955

Mr. Leonard Forrer
C/o Jacques Schulman
Amsterdam, Holland

Dear Leonard:

You previously requested a copy of the obligation you have to the estate of B. G. Johnson and I am enclosing herewith a schedule of the invoices with the returns and the discount and also a schedule of the various credits against the account. The credits have been calculated on the basis of the official rate of exchange and no interest has been calculated.

I hope you realize that I have gone beyond the call of duty in granting you every opportunity to rehabilitate yourself. You have always been a snake charmer outwardly but I have had confidence in the fact that you would like to straighten out this obligation. I feel that since you are now established and in a country where there are no blocked exchanges that you can begin to make monthly remittances to the estate. I therefore would like you to set a fair basis for remittance and please don't think that it should be merely normal. I have kept the estate open so that I can take charge of this account and if I do not secure your cooperation I will have to take steps to satisfy the girls as well as my duty as an executor.

I had wanted to distribute the estate and let the girls collect their share of the account from you but I feel that such action might be prejudicial to you as they might wish to enforce their claims in a manner which would interfere with your position.

Please therefore let me know within a few days after receiving this letter what you are able to do.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

ENN/atb

LEONARD FORRER ACCOUNT

INVOICES

| Date | Amount | Returns | Discount | Balance |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 8/22/45 | $14,335.50 | $3,234.30 | --- | $11,101.20 |
| 7/29/47 | 4,939.50 | 2,774.50 | 206.50 | 1,858.50 |
| 7/29/47 | 85.50 | 6.00 | 7.95 | 71.55 |
| 7/30/47 | 3,290.00 | 370.00 | 292.00 | 2,628.00 |
| 1949 | 514.60 | -- | --- | 514.60 |
| | | | | $16,173.85 |

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| 1947 dollar credit for com. on Swiss coins | $ 178.25 | |
| 1949 sterling credits (£ 111 12 9) @ 4.03 | 449.90 | |
| 1952 sterling credits (£ 188) @ 2.80 | 526.40 | |
| 1952 dollar credits (Brand) | 1501.11 | |
| 1953 sterling credits (£ 18 17 3) @ 2.80 | 52.82 | |
| 1953 dollar credits | 323.59 | |
| 1954 sterling credits (£ 114 13 8) @ 2.80 | 321.11 | |
| 1954 dollar credits | 589.41 | |
| 1955 dollar credits | 96.57 | |
| | | 4,039.16 |

Due as of September, 1955 $12,134.69